



York County Arts Commission seeks applications for grants Deadline to submit an application is March 6

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The York County Arts Commission invites all individuals and organizations to apply for grants in the arts that benefit the citizens of York County. Grant applications are available at the York County Parks, Recreation and Tourism office or online at www.yorkcounty.gov/parksandrec. The deadline for submissions is Friday, March 6.

Project grant and challenge grant applications will be reviewed by the commission and funding recommendations will be made in the spring. Pending approval by the Board of Supervisors, funds will be appropriated in late summer during Fiscal Year 2016 (July 1, 2015-June 30, 2016).

The following criteria will be applied to each individual or organization to determine eligibility for a project grant:

- Not-for-profit and exempt from federal income tax under provisions of the internal revenue code.
- Produce, present or support dance, literary arts, media arts, music, theater, museums, visual and related arts.
- Perform or offer activities/services in Williamsburg, James City County, or York County that also serve the citizens of York County.
- Performances, projects or services are accessible to handicapped individuals and the public at-large.
- Performances, projects, or services not held in Williamsburg, James City County or York County, which are deemed by the Commission to directly benefit the citizens of York County.

The York County Arts Commission is once again offering a challenge grant up to \$500 to promote citizen awareness of local and regional arts groups by showcasing their talents at various sites in York County. The grant provides funding support to eligible individuals and organizations to create and present their work, to develop new programs, and to increase opportunities for visual and performing arts groups to promote interest in their organizations.

For more information, call York County Parks, Recreation and Tourism at 890-3500 or visit www.yorkcounty.gov/parksandrec.